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Title: COUNTER-FLOW ASPHALT)	
PLANT METHOD)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

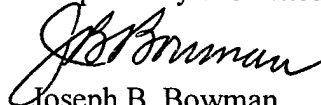
Before computation of the filing fee or examination on the merits of this newly filed divisional application, please enter this preliminary amendment.

In the specification, amend the title to read "COUNTER-FLOW ASPHALT PLANT METHOD" and, on page 1 of the specification, between the title and the section "Background of the Invention," please insert the two sections "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" and "Statement Regarding Federally Sponsored Research or Development" as shown on the attached clean page of the amendment.

In the claims, cancel the original claims 1-34 and insert the new claims 35-52 as shown on the attached clean pages of the amendment.

In the abstract, cancel the original abstract in its entirety and insert the new abstract as shown on the attached clean page of this amendment.

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